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In re Patent Application of

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For: VITAMIN D<sub>3</sub> DERIVATIVE AND ITS PRODUCTION METHOD

SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In view of Applicants application filing on December 29, 1998 without the appropriate executed documents, and since Applicants' attorney has not yet received the appropriate "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)", for the above application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration for the above-mentioned application properly executed by the inventors. Also enclosed please find an Information Disclosure Statement and references, PTO Form 1449, an executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595.

Checks for the statutory fee of \$ 130.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$ 40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The Office is invited to contact Sughrue, Mion, Zinn, Macpeak & Seas, PLLC on any question which might arise on the above-named application. Any contact that the Office might need to make should be directed to the undersigned at (202)293-7060.

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